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Chaboki et al.

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Sir:

The Assignee of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/767,542, United Defense LP, hereby requests the Office of Petitions to withdraw the Notice of Abandonment mailed on January 13, 2004, received by Applicant's attorney on January 20, 2004.

The Notice of Abandonment refers to Applicant's failure to respond to the Office Action mailed on April 28, 2003. The Office Action referred to in the Notice of Abandonment was responded to on October 28, 2003.

The Amendment was properly deposited via First Class Mail on October 28, 2003 as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. A copy of the Amendment is enclosed with this petition. The Acknowledgement postcard received from the PTO mail room was stamped November 7, 2003. A copy of the Acknowledgement card is also enclosed.

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Therefore, Applicant feels the Notice of Abandonment was entered in error and respectfully requests that the application be revived. It is believed that the error was inadvertently made on the part of the Patent and Trademark Office, and therefore no fee is due in relation to this matter. However, please charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 to ensure prompt revival of the application.

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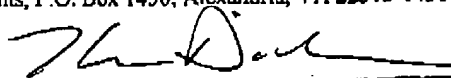
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